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1. WE SUGGEST THAT IT WOULD BE WORTH USING A PORTION
OF THE PRESIDENT'S TIME WITH LUNS BEFORE THE OPENING
CEREMONIES TO BOLSTER THE SYG'S RESOLVE AND CONFIDENCE
FOR FOLLOW-THROUGH ACTION ON THE LTDP.

2. IN THIS IMPORTANT AREA, THE US WILL BE VERY
DEPENDENT UPON LUNS, BUT, AS WASHINGTON IS AWARE,
UNTIL THE ELEVENTH HOUR THE US WAS SOMEWHAT CROSS-
WISE WITH HIM. HE IS AWARE THAT THE NOTION OF PROGRAM
COORDINATORS, WHICH WE HAVE PERSUADED HIM TO RECOMMEND,
MAY ENCOUNTER SERIOUS OPPOSITION. A RECOMMENDATION
TO ESTABLISH AN ASYG FOR LOGISTICS MAY DRAW EVEN
MORE FLAK.

3. ACCORDINGLY, WE SUGGEST THAT THE BEST APPROACH
TO BRING LUNS FURTHER ALONG WOULD BE A) TO EXPRESS
APPRECIATION FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN ENSURING A SUCCESSFUL
OUTCOME OF THE LTDP FOR THE SUMMIT, B) TO EXPRESS
CONFIDENCE THAT HE WILL PROVIDE AFFIRMATIVE DIRECTION
TO THE NECESSARY FOLLOW-THROUGH ACTION, AND C) TO
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PLEDGE THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR HIS
WORK IN THIS AREA. GLITMAN

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